



St Thomas à Becket Catholic Church

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PALM SUNDAY, EASTER SUNDAY & SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

29 MARCH 2026

"Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!"

Mass Times

- Sat 28 First Vespers and Mass of Sunday
17:30 Vigil Mass of Sunday**
People of the Parish
- Sun 29 Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord**
10:00 William Petrus RIP
16:30 Stations of the Cross
- Mon 30 Monday of Holy Week**
09:30 NO MASS
- Tues 31 Tuesday of Holy Week**
09:30 John Sharpe, Wellbeing
- Weds 01 Wednesday of Holy Week**
09:30 NO MASS
11:30 Chrism Mass at St George's Cathedral, Southwark
18:00 Grupo de Oración en Español (Spanish Rosary & Devotions)
- Thurs 02 Maundy Thursday**
NO MORNING MASS
18:00 Servers' practice
19:00 Mass of the Lord's Supper with a short period of watching after Mass
Antonio Beirão Monteiro RIP
- Fri 03 FRIDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD (GOOD FRIDAY)**
10:00 Stations of the Cross
12:00 Servers' practice
15:00 Solemn Liturgy of the Passion of the Lord
Holy Places Collection
19:00 Prayers at the foot of the Cross until 19:30

Sunday Readings: Year A
Weekday Readings: Year 2

SECOND COLLECTIONS

28 - 29 MARCH - ORGAN FUND

For the previous restoration and maintenance of our Willis Pipe Organ.

03 APRIL - HOLY PLACES

Upkeep and maintenance of Christian Schooling in the area.

05 APRIL 2026

"He must rise from the dead."

Mass Times

- Sat 04 HOLY SATURDAY**
10:00-11:00 Confessions
12:00 Servers' practice
19:30 Easter Vigil Mass in the Holy Night
- Sun 05 EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD**
10:00 People of the Parish
- Mon 06 Monday within the Octave of Easter**
09:30 NO MASS
- Tues 07 Tuesday within the Octave of Easter**
09:30 Anne Thornton RIP
- Weds 08 Wednesday within the Octave of Easter**
09:30 Anne Mary Hanratty RIP, Anniversary
18:00 Grupo de Oración en Español (Spanish Rosary & Devotions)
- Thurs 09 Thursday within the Octave of Easter**
09:30 Kinn McIntosh RIP
- Fri 10 Friday within the Octave of Easter**
09:30 Antonio Beirão Monteiro RIP

Confessions:

Please speak to the Priest to arrange.

Baptisms & Marriages:

Please email Parish Office. Your request will be addressed when the Parish Office reopens on Tuesday 14 April.

SECOND COLLECTIONS

04-05, 11-12 & 18-19 APRIL - ORGAN FUND

For the previous restoration and maintenance of our Willis Pipe Organ.

OFFICE CLOSURE NOTICE

The Parish Office is currently closed and will reopen on Tuesday, 14 April. Any Mass offerings will be booked once the office reopens, with the next available date being Friday, 24 April. Thank you for your understanding.

EASTER OFFERING

The offerings at the Easter Vigil and Easter Sunday masses are your personal gift to Mgr Matthew. Thank you for your generosity.



REMINDER! BRITISH SUMMER TIME BEGINS

BST begins on 29th March. Clocks go forward one hour.

12 APRIL 2026

"Eight days later, Jesus came."

Mass Times

- Sat 11** **Saturday within the Octave of Easter**
17:30 Vigil Mass of Sunday
People of the Parish
- Sun 12** **Second Sunday of Easter**
10:00 John Murphy RIP
- Mon 13** **St Martin I, Pope & Martyr**
09:30 NO MASS
- Tues 14** **Feria**
09:30 Intentions of Monica Hayes
- Weds 15** **Feria**
09:30 Crisanta Alfiler, Thanksgiving
18:00 Grupo de Oración en Español (Spanish Rosary & Devotions)
- Thurs 16** **Feria**
09:30 Antonio Beirão Monteiro RIP
- Fri 17** **Feria**
09:30 Ricardo Navarro RIP
- Sat 18** **First Vespers & Mass of Sunday**
17:30 Vigil Mass of Sunday
Noel & Carmel Murray RIP
- Sun 19** **Third Sunday of Easter**
10:00 People of the Parish
11:00 Confirmation Mass Preparation

GENERAL UPDATE

Fr Jude Ogbuana joins us as our Acting Parish Priest while Mgr Matthew continues his recovery. Fr Jude comes to us from Nigeria and has a 25-year connection with the Diocese, having previously served in Lewisham and New Malden. Please make him feel very welcome in our parish.

With a temporary priest now in place, Fr Jim Teeling will no longer be celebrating the Easter Ceremonies. We are deeply grateful to Fr Jim for his generous help and support to our parish as well as Fr Martin and Fr Peter, Fr Addison and Fr Chris.

Meanwhile, we continue to keep Mgr Matthew very much in our thoughts and prayers. He has now been discharged from hospital and is continuing his recovery in a care home.

If you would like to send a message or card to Mgr Matthew, please contact the Parish Office and we will be happy to arrange for this to be passed on to him.

Keeping Lent

The season of Lent is a blessed time for us to return to Christ, to confess our sins and to renew our life of faith. Every Sunday afternoon in Lent we will pray the Stations of the Cross at 16:30.

Mgr Matthew's 'Steps of Pain, Steps of Hope', his meditations on the Stations of the Cross, is available for purchase at £5 per copy, all money goes to parish funds. The book is beautifully illustrated with pictures of the Stations in St Thomas' church.



CONFIRMATION 2025-2026

Meet in the priest's house after 10:00 Mass
Next Session: Easter Break 28Mar-12Apr
Session 12: Sun 19 April

Key Dates: Sat 2 May: Reconciliation Service
Sun 10 May: Confirmation Mass



LITTLE PILGRIMS PLAY & PRAY

No meetings during Easter Holidays.

Next Meeting Monday 13 April 2026



FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2026

Next Class: Easter Break 28 Mar-12 Apr

Session 6: Sat 18 Apr | Session 7: Sat 25 Apr

Next Parents Meeting: Fri 15 May at 7pm

Key Dates: Sun 21 June 12pm: FHC Mass



RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS 2025-2026

Wed 1 April, 19:00 in the priest's house.

Please pray for our adult candidates of our parish who will receive the Sacraments at the Easter Vigil and will become full members of the Catholic Church.

Our candidates and their sponsors with Archbishop John Wilson at the Rite of Election at St George's Cathedral, Southwark.



Its time for our Easter Fundraiser

Craft & Cake Sale

After Mass
5th April **Easter Sunday**
In the Narthex

We need your donations! Please bring cakes & other baked goods to church before the 10am Mass.



COLLECTION will be reported next newsletter

28 - 29 March

Welcome & Coffee: F. Azevedo, M. Figueiredo

Readers: SAT: E. Mends, C. Fiallos

SUN: A. Burnett, T. Greetham

04 - 05 April

Welcome & Coffee: C. Miranda, P. Figueiredo

Readers: SAT: E. Falcone, S. & R. Jay

SUN: L. Brown, L. Northeast

Flowers: A. Robbins

11 - 12 April

Welcome and Coffee: E. Falcone, A. Oliva

Readers: SAT: M. Slade, L. Slade

SUN: H. Walker, L. Ekert

Flowers: A. Oliva

18 - 19 April

Welcome & Coffee: L. Northeast, M. Ascensao

Readers: SAT: S. Doney, S. Palmer

SUN: H. Walker, W. Honsby

Flowers: V. Barkho

MAINTENANCE TEAM: Meet 11am-1pm, 2nd Saturday of the Month. **Next meet: 11 APR**

DIARY DATES AT-A-GLANCE:

20 Mar - 13 Apr Parish Office Closure

5 Apr Easter Fundraising Craft & Cake Sale